

To Whom it May Concern,

I am dismayed to hear of the National Association of Broadcasters' (NAB) use of lobbyists, and campaign contributions in an attempt to influence Congress and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to limit satellite radio's ability to provide subscribers with "locally oriented" content, such as weather and traffic channels.

I am surprised to hear that, instead of competing and improving their services, they want the government to protect their businesses by attacking satellite radio. This is a question of consumer choice and the freedoms protected by the First Amendment. These bullying tactics do not sound as though they are based on american ideals, and it saddens me.

My family and friends all benefit from listening to satellite radio. From truck drivers, to travelling families, and from office workers, at at-home parents, we all listen to satellite radio traffic and weather, music, news and entertainment channels. Satellite radio provides us all with variety and quality that are not available elsewhere. We pay for these services and it should not be up to the NAB to dictate what we are permitted to hear. I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support satellite radio's ability to provide the kind of programming that my family, friends and I demand and deserve.